Tax rebate for Kargil martyrs

†205. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be peased to state:

(a) whether there are provisions for giving rebate in paying various central taxes to the widows of Kargil martyrs and also to the widows of the personnel killed by terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether the Ministry of Finance is considering the proposal to give uniform rebate to the families of both the categories of the martyrs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) No, Sir. There are no such provisions in the Income-tax Act, 1961.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Strike in Banking Sector

†206. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the strikes observed in the Banking Sector during the last one year;

(b) the effect on the banking business and losses suffered by banks due to these strikes; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to bring public sector banks at par with the private banks and by when the result of the same will be forthcoming?

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